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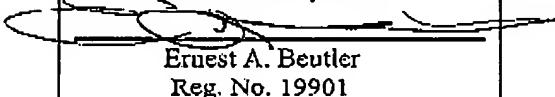
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FOLLOW UP STATUS LETTER

Dear Sir:

The Issue and Publication Fees in this case were paid on March 9, 2005 to prevent inadvertent abandonment even though the Examiner had requested a drawing correction and he had been asked to reconsider his action. However, the Examiner had not replied regarding the status of his Drawing Rejection and a Status Letter was filed on October 12, 2005 and that also is unanswered. Please confirm that this case is in good order and advise when a response to the drawing question will be forthcoming and when the case will issue.

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